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AGENDA FOR THE FORTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD*

1. Procedural matters:

   (a) Election of officers
   (b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the session
   (c) Adoption of the report on credentials
   (d) Provisional agenda for the forty-fifth session of the Board

2. Segment for high-level participation: Globalization, competition, competitiveness and development

3. Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Income distribution and growth in a global context

4. Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s:

   (a) Policy reforms in agriculture and their implications for LDCs' development
   (b) Contribution by the Board to the consideration of the General Assembly, at its fifty-second session, of holding a third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

5. UNCTAD's contribution to the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s: Performance, prospects and policy issues

*As adopted at the 886th plenary meeting of the Trade and Development Board on 13 October 1997.

6. Technical cooperation activities:

   (a) Review of technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD
   (b) Consideration of other relevant reports: Report on UNCTAD's assistance to the Palestinian people

7. Other matters in the field of trade and development:

   (a) Specific actions related to the particular needs and problems of land-locked developing countries
   (b) Progressive development of the law of international trade: thirtieth annual report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

8. Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters:

   (a) Review of the calendar of meetings
   (b) Administrative and financial implications of the actions of the Board
   (c) Progress report by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD on the trust fund to enhance participation of developing countries' experts in UNCTAD meetings

9. Other business

   (a) Report of the Pilot Seminar on the Mobilization of the Private Sector in order to Encourage Foreign Investment Flows towards the LDCs
   (b) Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues, second session: recommendations of the Commission regarding the convening of expert meetings

10. Adoption of the report of the Board.